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CASCADE IMPACTOR TESTING OF
INHALABLE DRUG THERAPIES
RECOVERY FOR CHEMICAL
ANALYSIS

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action
mailed on February 21, 2003. Please amend the above-identified
application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-3, 9-10, 12, 15-18, 28 and 32 as
shown:

1. (Amended) A process for obtaining samples for analyzation from a cascade impactor comprising providing a plurality of impactor components having impaction surfaces carrying particles that have been classified, supporting the plurality of impactor components on a support, such that the impactor surfaces of the plurality of impactor components are separated and enclosed to form separate enclosures, injecting a solvent solution into each of the plurality of enclosures containing an impaction surface, [carrying particles] agitating the solvent applied on each